PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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REMARKS

Claim 1 has been editorially amended to clarify what is being claimed.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, dated March 24, 2006, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-5 and 13 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 6, 9-12 and 14.

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Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

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